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CONTROLLER'S OFFICE ANNOUNCES PAY REDUCTION SAVINGS

Sacramento, April 18, 2003 – California State Controller Steve Westly today released details of voluntary pay reductions taken by elected leaders and staff appointed by Governor Gray Davis. Westly said the cuts add up to \$1 million in savings through June 30, 2003.

“This is a small step, but it is a symbolic way to acknowledge that we all have to sacrifice during the budget crisis,” Westly said. “The \$1 million savings won’t solve the budget deficit, but it will be redirected to some important programs.”

To date, pay reductions were taken by:

- 3 statewide elected officials;
- 17 legislators;
- 543 staff.

The elected leaders’ pay cuts will remain in effect until they request a change. The staff reductions are in place through June 30, 2003.

“The people who chose to take this reduction are setting an example and showing they know how serious the State’s financial crisis is,” said Westly. “I am proud that so many staff are giving back a portion of their salaries during this difficult time.”

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